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Mr. Cleveland will out-do General Jackson in will power if he carries out the spirit of his civil service letter.

Song of the democrats in two months from now: Rally around the White House boys, rally once again, shouting give us all an office.

If the incoming democratic administration can catch Hawgates and lock him up in prison, it will do the country and the cause of justice a good turn.

The country will regret to hear that General Grant's health is extremely poor. The last days of his life which should have been filled with sunshine, are days of financial trouble and gloom.

It is claimed that Governor Sherman, of Iowa, is afraid to call an extra session of the legislature of that state for fear it will go to work and repeal the prohibition law. A law that won't be upheld by popular sentiment is not fit to stand.

Last Wednesday, Grant A. Smith, son of ex-Governor William E. Smith, was married to Miss Marion Merrill, whose father is general manager of the Chicago Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad. Alexander Mitchell gave away the bride, owing to her father's illness.

There was a new order of things in Kansas the past week regarding the weather. On Wednesday, the mercury marked 21 degrees below zero, at Salina, the coldest temperature ever known in that section. It was 20 degrees below zero at St. Paul, Minn., yesterday, and much colder farther west and north.

Mr. Thomas Nast has drawn a splendid cartoon for the current number of Harper's Weekly, representing Capo presenting to President Arthur the compliments of all nations for his judicious administration. But doesn't the whirling of time bring queer changes? It is not long since the Harper's opposed President Arthur because Curtis thought he wasn't fit for the presidency.

Colonel John C. Spencer, now prominently before the people of this state as a candidate for United States senator, and whose election is among the certainties, was born in Lawrenceburg, Ind., in 1843. He settled in Madison, in 1859, with his father, Judge Spencer, a man of comprehensive learning. He was educated at the Wisconsin State University. He remained there until 1864, when he entered a private law school of the Forteth, Wisconsin infantry.

The charge having been made by some that John P. St. John sold out to the national democratic committee, that gentleman has demanded the proof. Joe McCullagh, of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, says he has seen the proof, and now comes in the question of veracity between McCullagh and Mr. St. John. If the Globe-Democrat has the positive proof, it should be forthcoming without delay; and if Senator Sawyer of this state, has evidence that St. John offered to sell out to the republican national committee, that also should be produced at once. Fair play in this matter will be demanded by every fair-minded man in the country, no matter what party he belongs to.

A few weeks ago the Gazette published this sentiment from Senator Palmer, of Michigan: "The only three substantial that you can get out of life are a full stomach, a good suit of clothes and a bed to sleep in. Everything else belongs to the realm of illusions." Senator Palmer is rich, having an income of \$200,000 a year, fit no one to support but himself and wife. A gentleman down east who thinks that sentiment has been going the rounds long enough, stands ready to file a satisfactory bond to supply him with all the food he can hold, all the clothes he can wear, and beds enough to run a hotel in exchange for \$200,000 of illusion per year. There is no occasion for him to go on wearing his life out with unsatisfactory illusions when he can better them off to such a substantial advantage.

It is said that Vanderbilt's riches are taking wings. His stocks are depreciating in value, and in the last four years his fortune has been cut squarely in half. His sons and his son-in-law have spent fifteen millions for him in two years, and other losses have reduced his income quite largely. By the way, Vanderbilt's greatest burden of mind is the fact that some day he must part with all his vast riches, and be placed on a level with the ordinary man and the pauper. He has a peculiar dread of sickness and death, and it is said the dread increases as he grows older. The charms of his brilliant home, the glitter of his colossal fortune, and the blandishments of the public, have a great fascination for him, and to part with these and grapple with the mysteries of the world beyond where William H. Vanderbilt will be judged by the good that he has done, gives him distress of mind. It would be well for Mr. Vanderbilt to read the words of the lamented Horace Greeley, written when all the triumphs of a struggling life were before him, and yet when he saw the vanity of human ambition and the mockery of wealth: "Fame is vapor, popularity an accident; riches take wings. Those who laugh to-day will weep to-morrow. There is nothing substantial but character, and rest cannot be found this side the grave."

WISCONSIN AT THE EXPOSITION.

The New Orleans Times-Democrat says that Wisconsin, though rather late arrival on the exposition floor, has by great energy placed herself abreast of most competitors. The whole exhibit will be shown under glass, a method most commendable, as it protects the articles shown both from dust and the many sneak-thieves. While the first

expense of show-cases is rather large, yet in the end it is really the least expensive method of exhibiting goods, as it does away with the necessity for a numerous staff of attendants and does not require much protection from the police.

Mr. E. D. Holton, of Milwaukee, state commissioner at the exposition, pursued these cases on his own motion, and besides being made serviceable, they will be ornamental and will hold a large collection of articles. The aim of the commissioner in making this collection is to present in the most compact form the resources of the state. To this end he has brought together cereals, vegetables, fruits, minerals, dairy products, pictures of public buildings, woods and timbers, leather and cloths and every other important product of the state. These articles will all be shown in the smallest quantities consistent with a full and perfect specimen of the article shown. Mr. Holton states that though his articles are to be kept under lock and key, yet the cases will be cheerfully opened at the request of any who may be especially interested.

ONE PHASE OF THE SENATE RAIL CONTEST.

Some of the papers that are supporting our worthy friend General Fairchild for United States senator, are evidently a little worried over the point that Colonel Spencer's friends are making regarding the oratorical qualities of their favorite candidate. No one has said, to our knowledge, that General Fairchild was not a good campaign speaker. He is a good campaign speaker and did good work during the late campaign for which the republicans of Wisconsin sincerely thank him.

Colonel Spencer is a good campaign speaker—a splendid man on the stump; and the campaign he made last fall was never surpassed, and hardly equaled, by the campaign made by any other orator before either before, during, or since the days of Mr. Carpenter. It would not be casting a reflection upon anyone to say that Colonel Spencer is one of the foremost orators of the state, and that he has not an equal outside of the fraternity to which he belongs.

But all that is entitled to only a passing consideration. What the friends of Colonel Spencer claim for him is that as a close reasoner, as a deep thinker, as a lawyer of rare acumen and as a ready, forcible and eloquent speaker on all questions, whether in law or in politics, he is unequalled. He is in Wisconsin, and is just such a man as should be sent to the senate. There is no candidate mentioned as the successor to Mr. Cameron, who is so thoroughly qualified to do the work that will be demanded of him in the coming sessions of the senate, as Colonel John C. Spencer. His splendid attainments as a public speaker, his vigorous courage, his unflinching courage, his sprightly eloquence, his cool judgment, his extensive knowledge pertaining to all national questions, and his power to cope with the leaders of the opposition, make him the first man for Mr. Cameron's place in the Senate.

SOME LABOR STATISTICS.

Two years ago a law was enacted by the Wisconsin legislature creating a bureau of labor statistics, and Mr. Frank A. Flower was appointed to the commissionership of that bureau. The first annual report is in press, and from advance sheets the State Journal has gathered some facts of special interest to the public.

In 1880 (but why the commissioner didn't get later figures we can't understand) there were engaged in all occupations in Wisconsin a total of 417,456 persons, of whom 317,030 were males and 40,396 females; from 10 to 15 years of age there were 10,219 males and 3,424 females; between 16 and 59 there were 332,471 males and 42,165 females; over 60 years, 28,351 males and 780 females. Of this grand total, 218,716 were born in the United States, 20,611 in Ireland, 59,214 in Germany, 18,052 in Great Britain, 29,221 in Scandinavia, 11,735 in British America, and 25,825 in miscellaneous countries. In agriculture there were 195,201 persons engaged; in professional and personal services, 57,404; in trade and transportation, 37,559; and in manufacturing, mechanical and mining industries, 80,510. There were 1,193 lawyers, 1,715 clergymen, 1,549 physicians and surgeons, 280 journalists, \$3,030 teachers, 2,055 civil officers and government employees, 823 teachers of music and 261 dentists. There were in the state 7,674 manufacturing establishments, with \$78,521,802 capital, paying \$18,814,917 wages per year, expending annually \$85,703,179 for materials, \$123,253,488 for products and employing 48,255 males over 16, 6,341 females over 16, and 2,013 children and youth.

The commission connects with his annual report an argument that the prison contract system should not be abolished. But in Wisconsin as in all other states, there is a growing sentiment among the people that the contract labor system should be abolished.

The Journal calls attention to the fact that a larger appropriation for the bureau is requested of the legislature, and the committee made that the statistics to be revised are for various assigned reasons meager, incomplete and unsatisfactory, the commissioners having chiefly to rely on the government census. The appropriation should not be made unless the statistics gathered are complete and the very latest obtainable. The state should not pay for figures that are stale.

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ONE MORE FIASCO.

DYNAMITARDS TRY THEIR HANDS AGAIN IN LONDON CITY.

An Explosion in a Railway Tunnel Breaks Stones and Shatters People, but Does Little Harm—No Clever to the Plotters.

LONDON, Jan. 3.—At 9:15 o'clock Friday evening a missile containing dynamite was thrown at a train in the tunnel of the Metropolitan Underground railway, between the Gower street and King's Cross stations. It missed the train, but struck the wall of the tunnel, and rebounding exploded again; another train, shattering the windows and doors of the cars, and slightly damaging the tunnel. Several passengers were cut by flying pieces of glass, but no one was injured. An engine had come up on the platform of the station, and had stopped near the tunnel entrance. Several passengers were cut by flying pieces of glass, but no one was injured. An engine had come up on the platform of the station, and had stopped near the tunnel entrance. Several passengers were cut by flying pieces of glass, but no one was injured.

TAKING THE WHITE VEST.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Jan. 3.—The chapel of the Mount St. Mary's convent was brilliantly illuminated and decorated Friday night, and crowded with distinguished guests on the occasion of fourteen young ladies receiving the white veil as beginning of a new life. Before the ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Bishop D. M. Brinkley of the New Hampshire diocese, and less than two hours among the young ladies was Miss Mary Agnes Ward, of Pittsburgh, Pa., given a kiss of the late Rev. Mother Francis Xavier Ward, foundress of the order in America.

Dudley Smith, who was colonel of the Forty-third Illinois regiment, was married on Friday to the eldest daughter of Gen. W. W. Kimball, of Bloomington, Ill.

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The belief is general that some incendiary device was used in the explosion, with a bright flash, took place in the tunnel, apparently on the track. The windows in our compartment were shattered to atoms, and the gas went out on the whole train. A man beside me had his face cut with glass, and a man opposite to me jumped from his seat, and in his madness trampled and crushed a woman near me. It was dynamite sure enough."

The guard told a similar story. He had noticed nothing suspicious about the explosion. The bodily injury to the passenger was trifling, but a woman near him, who was sitting in a trap, it is terrible!" one poor woman kept repeating as she was assisted to the University hospital. Her face was cut with broken glass. It was found that one carriage had its woodwork injured by the shock.

The shock overthrew several wayfaring men in Euston road. It was with great difficulty that horses were restrained from running away. Two wagons in the Gower street station were extinguished. The ticket collector at the station was thrown from his box, and the engineer working the incandescent electric-light machine was thrown from his seat three or four feet, landing on his face. Lights in other trains in the tunnel were extinguished. The Gower street platform was strewn with persons prostrated by the shock.

In a number of places in the vicinity were shelter and the roadway was oscillated. Two trains were passing at the time of the explosion, and in both lights were extinguished, the windows shattered, and the frame work of several carriages doors smashed. The green, red and white lights at the front and rear of the trains were extinguished. The ticket collector at the Gower street station describes the report of the explosion as sharp and ringing in character, like the discharge of a piece of field artillery.

The shock which the explosion occurred was directly under the road leading to the main entrance of the London & North Western railway station.

At the site of the explosion there is a hole in the solid masonry about four feet in depth. The masonry is more or less damaged for some eight feet all around the hole. The effects of this explosion correspond almost exactly with those of the explosion at the Prud street station fourteen months ago.

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The landlord of the Rising Sun hotel, which is near the scene of the explosion, says that the shock was felt severely in the house.

He heard a loud rumbling noise, and the house seemed to be shaken almost to its foundation. He was leaning over his bar at the time and was lifted nearly a foot from the floor.

The Daily Telegraph says respecting the explosion: Once more we repeat that the only way to combat the dynamite users is to offer immense rewards for their exposure. Informers have been, and will be.

The Daily News is at a loss to suggest a remedy for such outrages, and can only hope and trust that the miscreants be captured.

George Augustus Sala in Boston.

BOSTON, Jan. 3.—Cornelius Barrett, aged 59, was arrested Friday afternoon on a warrant charging him with manslaughter in causing the death of Dennis Driscoll, aged 70, on Dec. 17, by throwing him down "during a game of 'tag.'

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Elegant scissor cases at Eldridge's.

Ice by the load delivered to any part of the city; also best and cheapest soap and oak wood in the market. Leave orders with Gateley & King.

To buy a home at any price, call on C. E. Bowles.

If you have money to loan, call on C. E. Bowles.

Strict orders by the companies concerned, that not one article shall be left unaided in the New York Fire Sale, South Main street, opposite the O. B. Conrad grocery store.

Overcoats for men and boys at your own figures are sold at the New York Fire sale, South Main street near the park.

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Offered by the manufacturer of electric voltaic batteries and other electrical appliances for trial for thirty days to meet any or old friend in the business. They are made of the best materials and all kinds of batteries. Also for rheumatism, neuralgia, paralysis, and many other diseases. Complete guarantee. No risk is incurred. The battery is guaranteed. The price is \$1.00 per day.

It faithfully removes Ayer's Sarsaparilla will remove the scrotal tent in what ever form it may exist.

Prentice & Evenson, opposite postoffice.

Winslow's Soothing syrup.

BRIEFES.

—Good music and plenty of fun at the roller rink to-night.

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—There were 1,339 books drawn from the public library during December.

—The best place to spend a happy evening is at the roller rink; go to-night.

—Miss May Stevens, of Chicago, is visiting relatives and friends in the city.

—Business was very lively in the city to-day, notwithstanding the chilly south wind prevailing.

—Two tramps were before the municipal court to-day and one was sent to jail for five days and the other for ten days.

—The scholars of the Congregational Sunday school are asked to bring their testaments to school to-morrow. The lesson is Acts 20:2-16.

—The ice harvesters are at work above the upper railroad bridge, preparing to fill the large ice house belonging to Messrs. Gateley & King.

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—We understand that the druggist of Janesville have all agreed to close their stores at 9 o'clock p. m., commencing on Monday evening next, the agreement to continue until the first of next April.

—Rev. W. Chamberlain, of Oberlin, Ohio, will preach at the Congregational church to-morrow, morning and evening. Rev. Chamberlain is a cousin to Mrs. S. C. Little, superintendent of the Blind institute.

—Yesterday Messrs. Wheeler & Stoyens, real estate agents, sold the 160 acre farm of Mr. Andrew Peterson, Ruthard, Dane county, to Mr. Hollis Holley, of the town of LaPrairie, the purchase price being \$8,450.

—There is a great diversity of opinions among our ball players regarding the ability of Mr. Hines to catch the ball to be dropped from the top of the Washington monument, 555 feet. Some say that he cannot hold it, while others claim he will take it on the first trial.

—Deacon Joseph Wright yesterday celebrated his 60th birth-day. He is one of the few men in the city who fled it necessary to go outside of the present century for a starting point. The old gentleman is physically strong and active, and gives evidence of a robust constitution.

—For we don't know how many times, the agitation of remodeling the opera house has again come to the front, which, like all former plans, will soon be lost sight of until some of our capitalists take right hold of the matter, and build a good place of amusement, so located that people can get in and out without fear of breaking their necks.

—The reading public will be interested to know that May wheat sold last Saturday morning, December 27th, at 75 and seven-eighths. The closing market of today shows an advance of about 7½ cents. With two holidays out the week's trade is very satisfactory. The Gazette mentioned in a recent issue that the lowest price for wheat in the last twenty-five years was reached December 25th. The date should have been December 15th.

—A few intimate friends of Sheriff Harper made a raid on the jail last evening, and surprised that good natured and genitally official by presenting him with an elegant easy chair, with the compliments of the season. Those present were Dr. William Horne, Marshal Logan Meers, C. F. Dickay, of Spring Valley, Michael Dawson, R. J. Rooney, John Dawson, Summer Herrick and ex-Sheriff Skarstrom. We will not bid the sheriff good bye until next week.

—Mrs. Helen M. Webster and daughter, Miss Lizzie Webster, gave a reception party at their home on South Jackson street last evening, in honor of Mr. Frank N. Webster and his bride. A large number of young people were present, and the occasion was one of real happiness and enjoyment. A magnificent supper was served, and at a reasonable price the guests returned to their respective homes highly elated at having had an opportunity for enjoying the pleasure of the evening.

—Miss Frances E. Willard and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary E. Willard, gave a reception this evening at their home "Rest Cottage," Evanston, Illinois, in honor of her mother, Mrs. Mary Thompson Willard, attaining her eightieth birthday, the reception being held from 7 to 10 o'clock p. m., at which a song written for the occasion, by Anna A. Gorham, "Auld Lang Syne," will be sung. The many friends of Mrs. Willard in this city will join with those present in wishing her continued health and happiness for many more such joyous occasions.

—A drug clerk, not far from the corner of Main and Milwaukee street, was seen in a bewildered迷惘的 state of mind last evening, and upon investigation of the cause it was learned that he had been trying to build a coal fire with block cuts or kuttons, and had made an utter failure of the experiment. There is a store a pot kutton—block as "night's plantation store"—and the little embryo feling is not very particular where it takes up a resting place. Last night kutton took possession of the coal hole, which was only partially filled with coals, and just before closing for the night, Lou picked up the hood to empty the contents in the stove, opening the door, in went kutton and all, and the first inkling Lou had that all was not right was the sudden opening of one of the mice doors on the side and to an unearthly yell of "Ma-ri-a-h," popped out. The little feling is now in the hospital, considerably the worse off for having passed through a fire of burning coals, but with kind care it is hoped it will pull through, although it will never be able to do much pulling with its claws, as they were all left in the stove.

—About 1000 people attended the annual meeting of the Mutual Improvement club Monday evening at 7:30 o'clock, at the parlors of All Sons church for a study of Greek art. Papers will be presented by Miss Delong on "Merrits of Greek Sculpture," and by Miss Delong on "Merits of Greek Sculpture," and by Miss Delong on "Merits of Greek Sculpture."

—At a regular semi-monthly meeting of Olive Branch Lodge No. 37, ancient Order United Workmen held last evening at their hall, in Lappin's block, the following officers were installed:

W. M.—W. G. Palmer.

For—E. Patch.

O.—Wm. Kent.

Rod.—C. E. Church.

Fin.—E. J. Kent.

Recr.—H. B. Holzholz.

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